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SEASON 1876-77.

PATRON.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE EARL OF DUFFERIN,
K. P., G. C. M. G., K. C. B., &c., &c.

OFFICERS.

President :

John Langton, Esq.

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R. E. Kimber, Esq.

2nd Vice President :

Lieut. Col. Stuart.

Manager :

F. A. Dixon, Esq.

Treasurer :

R. Gill, Esq.

Secretary :

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Committee :

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1. That an Association, consisting of the members whose names are hereto attached, together with others who may be hereafter added, be formed for the purposes of Dramatic study and representation.

2. That this Association be called "THE OTTAWA DRAMATIC CLUB."

3. That the members of the Club shall, from time to time, give Dramatic representations, from which if any receipts accrue over expenditure they shall be deposited, as may be hereafter determined, until funds have accumulated sufficient to build a club house with stage and auditorium attached, in this city.

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4. That the officers of the aforesaid Club shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and Manager. All such officers to be elected by the ballot.

5. That a Committee of General Purposes shall be organised to consist of three members in addition to the regular officers of the Club who shall, ex-officio, be on all committees.

6. The subscription shall be Five dollars per annum, payable on or before the 1st of October in each year: default for one month after notification from the Secretary to render defaulting members' name liable to be struck off the books of the Club.

7. Names of intending members must be given in to the secretary, to be posted in the Club rooms, together with those of their proposers and seconders, at least seven days previously to a general meeting.

8. A general meeting, of which members shall receive due notice from the Secretary, stating the business to be transacted, shall be held on the last Friday of every month from the 1st of October to the last day of May.

9. The Secretary shall be empowered to call an Emergency meeting at any time on receiving a requisition signed by not less than seven members; or otherwise by order of the Committee.

10. The mode of election shall be by ballot at a general meeting; two black balls to exclude, whatever the number of members present.

11. The officers of the Club shall be elected annually by ballot; said election to take place at a general meeting of the Club to be held in the first week of October.

12. The governance of all matters connected with the working of the Club, (with the exception specified in the next following rule) shall be in the hands of the Committee of General Purposes. Three to be a quorum.

13. All matters connected with the stage itself; the actual production of plays; casting of characters; dresses, scenery, etc., shall be in the hands of the Manager for the time being alone; who shall be answerable to the Club for the matters in his province.

14. All payments of expenses incurred shall be made by the Treasurer, said expenses having been previously submitted to and approved by the Committee of General Purposes.

15. No expenses contingent upon performances, except those for hire of Theatre, shall be incurred without the sanction of the Manager; who must certify all such accounts before their payment.

16. All payments of subscription shall be made to the Treasurer; who shall be empowered

to give receipt for the same on behalf of the Club.

17. All dresses, properties, books or other belongings of the Club shall be deposited at some place to be named by the Committee, and shall not be removed without the authority of the Manager.

18. The annual subscription shall entitle members themselves to be present at all and any performances or rehearsals given by the Club.

19. A list of members shall be placed in the offices for the disposal of tickets; tickets being issued and seats reserved on application: such tickets not to be transferable.

20. None but actual members of the Club shall be admitted to the Club rooms or be present during any of the rehearsals or performances without the order of the Manager.

21. Any member of the Club shall, at any time, be open to suspension or removal on a vote of not less than half of the entire members of the club; such vote to be taken and recorded at a general meeting.

22. At the last general meeting of the season a statement of accounts shall be presented by the treasurer; and a report embracing the

transactions of the season shall be prepared and submitted by the Committee of Management.

23. Any proposed amendment or addition to the existing rules shall be handed to the Secretary to be posted up in the Club room seven days previously to a general meeting.

24. A printed copy of these By-laws shall be presented to each member on his joining the Club.